



IFW #

PATENT

Atty. Docket No: 2500 DIV 2 CON 2 DIV 3 CON 8

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S): Peter M. Bonutti

SERIAL NO. : 10/752,933

EXAMINER: Michael Thaler

FILED : January 7, 2004

GROUP ART UNIT: 3731

FOR : FLUID OPERATED RETRACTORS

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 16, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

REMARKS

The present Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated November 16, 2004. The Examiner required restriction to one of the following allegedly distinct species: